

COUNCIL COMING ATTRACTIONS



Week of March 11, 2019

Capital Improvements Program, Medical and Dental Clinics, MARC Rail Sector Plan, Police Department Outreach Unit, Fire and Rescue Operations & Audit Issues

Council Coming Attractions is a summary of some of the issues before the Council. All Council staff reports and additional information on each item scheduled for Council or Committee review can be viewed at:

<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/COUNCIL/ondemand/index.html> .

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FY19 Budget and Amendments to FY19-24 Capital Improvements Program

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC)

The Council will review the WSSC's Fiscal Years 2020-2025 Capital Improvements Program and the Transportation and Environment (T&E) Committee's recommendations. WSSC has a proposed six-year CIP of \$1.87 billion. The T&E Committee recommends approval of the WSSC's proposed FY20-25 CIP. The following representatives of WSSC are among those expected to attend: Eloise Foster, commission chair; Fausto Bayonet, commissioner; Howie Denis, commissioner; Carla Reid, general manager and CEO; and Jaclyn Vincent, chief of staff. A budget summary can be found on page 1 of the staff report, which can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/col/2019/20190312/20190312_4.pdf

Transportation

The Council will review amendments by the County Executive to the FY19-24 CIP for transportation projects. Al Roshdieh, director of the Department of Transportation (DOT) and other representatives of DOT and the Office of Management and Budget are expected to attend. The T&E Committee's recommendations can be found on pages 2-12 of the staff report, which can be viewed at: https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/col/2019/20190312/20190312_5.pdf



Parks

The Council will review proposed amendments to the FY19-24 for the Maryland-National Capital Parks and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). Last year, the Council approved an FY19-24 CIP of approximately \$220 million for M-NCPPC. In this off-year of the CIP, the Commission has requested four amendments to the approved CIP. The Executive recommends an Affordability Reconciliation Project Description Form that reduces Government Obligation (GO) Bond expenditures by \$1.45 million starting in FY21 and spread over the last four years of the CIP. The Planning, Housing and Economic Development (PHED) Committees can be found on pages 2-4 of the Council staff report, which can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/col/2019/20190312/20190312_6.pdf



ZTA 19-02, Clinics – Limited Use

The Council is scheduled to vote on ZTA 19-02, Clinics – Limited Use. Council President Nancy Navarro is the lead sponsor. The goal of this zoning change is to streamline the process for having medical and dental clinics as an accessory use in certain zones. ZTA 19-02 would allow medical and dental clinics as an accessory to certain large institutional uses. Under the current zoning code, any permitted or limited use in a zone may be an accessory use to any other use in the same zone. Before 2014, an accessory use could be any use that was incidental and subordinate to the principal use. Under this older provision, the Department of Permitting Services allowed medical and dental clinics as accessory uses to some institutional uses. That is no longer the case because those uses are not listed as permitted or limited uses in many residential zones. ZTA 19-02 would allow accessory use clinics in all residential zones with limitations on their size. Council staff recommends approval with amendments. The PHED Committee recommends enactment as amended. The recommended amendments can be found on page 1 of the Council staff report, which can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/col/2019/20190312/20190312_7.pdf

Key search terms for ZTA 19-02 on the Council's website include: accessory use, clinics, medical clinic and dental clinic. #MoCoMedical&DentalClinics is being used for this item on social media.

COMMITTEES



Amendment to FY19 Operating Budget Resolution 18-1144, Section G, Designated Entity for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status: Launch Workplace, LLC

On March 11 at 9:30 a.m. the PHED Committee will meet to review an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019 (FY19) Operating Budget Resolution 18-1144, Section G, Designated Entity for Non-competitive Contract Award Status: Launch Workplace, LLC. The County's Chief Administrative Officer recommends that the Council increase the maximum amount of the non-competitive contract between the County and Launch WorkPlaces, LLC by \$48,000 in FY19. The purpose of this increase is to provide program and portfolio management at the Germantown Innovation Center and the Rockville Innovation Center. The Department of Finance will use an existing appropriation to fund the contract. Robert Hagedoorn, fiscal management chief for the Department of Finance, is among those expected to attend. The Council staff report can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/cm/2019/20190311/20190311_PHED1.pdf



MARC Rail Communities Sector Plan

The PHED Committee also will review the MARC Rail Communities Sector Plan. This limited master plan builds on the recommendations of the previous 1985 Boyds Master Plan, the 1989 Germantown Master Plan and the 2009 Germantown Employment Area Sector Plan, and

examines the land uses, zoning, design and multimodal access to the two MARC stations located in Boyds and Germantown. The plan does the following:

- determines the appropriate land uses and densities at sites near each station;
- provides recommendations to improve multimodal access to each station (using information gathered during the Master Plan of Highways and Transitways and the Bicycle Master Plan to help inform the access portion of this plan);
- considers other concerns raised during the planning process (i.e. parking).

The Council staff report can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/cm/2019/20190311/20190311_PHED2.pdf



Police Department's Autism, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Alzheimer's and Dementia Outreach Unit

At 9:30 a.m. the Public Safety (PS) Committee will receive a briefing on the Montgomery County Police Department's (MCPD) Autism, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Alzheimer's and Dementia Outreach Unit. MCPD has developed an outreach unit that provides community outreach and partnerships, as well as training for police officers. For those with autism, dementia and other intellectual or developmental challenges, safety is a daily concern. They may be prone to elopement or wandering, and these are two behaviors that often bring such individuals in contact with the police, as they are attempting to locate and bring individuals back to safety. Those expected to attend include the following: Lieutenant Jennifer McNeal, director of the Crisis Response and Support Section of MCPD; Officer Laurie Reyes, Outreach Unit, MCPD; and Officer Tara Bond, MCPD. The Council staff report can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/cm/2019/20190311/20190311_PS1.pdf



Fire and Rescue Operations

The PS Committee also will receive a briefing on fire and rescue operations. Fire Chief Scott Goldstein will provide an overview of the Department of Fire and Rescue Services (MCFRS) as well as an update on 2018 service enhancements and the new Mobile Integrated Health Unit. MCFRS is a combined service of both career and volunteer firefighters. There are currently 35 fire stations and two rescue squads, staffed by 1,172 active career firefighters and 907 active volunteer firefighters. In calendar year 2018 the Department responded to 124,000 calls for service, more than three quarters of which were for emergency medical services. The Council staff report can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/cm/2019/20190311/20190311_PS2.pdf



Thriving Germantown

At 2 p.m. the Health and Human Services (HHS) Committee will receive a briefing on Thriving Germantown. The Thriving Germantown Community Hub is a collaborative effort currently focused on the children and families in Daly Elementary School. Family Services is the lead agency which provides care coordinators for family assessments and develops intervention plans and linkages to resources. The effort is focused on disparities in health, educational outcome, income, safe and stable housing and other social outcomes. Thriving Germantown is a partnership that includes non-profits, government and philanthropic organizations. A list of partner organizations can be found on page 1 of the Council staff report, which can be viewed at:

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/Resources/Files/agenda/cm/2019/20190311/20190311_HHS1.pdf



Expedited Bill 3-19, Administration – Executive Branch – Non-Merit Positions

On March 14 at 9:30 a.m. the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy (GO) Committee will review Expedited Bill 3-19, Administration – Executive Branch – Non-Merit Positions. Council President Nancy Navarro is the lead sponsor, at the request of the County Executive. Bill 3-19 and its accompanying Executive Regulation would designate certain positions in the Executive Branch as non-merit positions. The Council staff report will be available on March 12.

**Review of Results from FY18 External Audit**

At 10:30 a.m. the Audit Committee will receive a briefing from CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA), the County Government's independent auditor, and Executive Branch staff on the results of the audits of the County Government's FY18 financial statements and the financial statements of the County Government's retirement plans, and other audit-related work. The Audit Committee consists of the GO Committee and the Council President and Vice President as ex officio voting members. The Council staff report will be available on March 12.

**CliftonLarsonAllen Contract Renewal**

The Audit Committee also will review a contract amendment to extend CliftonLarsonAllen's contract for an additional year. The Council staff report will be available on March 12.

**Review and Recommendations to Strengthen County's Audit and Oversight**

The Audit Committee will close out its meeting with a review and recommendations to strengthen the County's auditing and oversight. In January the Council received a briefing on the Office of Inspector General (OIG) Report #19-002, A Review of Management Control Deficiencies Contributing to the Misappropriation of Montgomery County Economic Development Funds. The Council discussed the OIG's findings and the Executive's response to these findings and requested that the OIG's office and OLO staff provide guidance on the following areas: audit function structure and funding; coordination between audit functions; and contract monitoring. The Council staff report will be available on March 12.

**CIP Amendments: MCPS Enrollment Briefing and Subdivision Staging Policy Schools Test Discussion**

At 2 p.m. the Education and Culture (E&C) Committee will review amendments to the CIP for MCPS. The Council staff report will be available on March 12.